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REPORTS OF CASES ARGUED AND DETERMINED IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE, DURING THE YEARS 1855–6, by JOHN L. P. SNEED, State Reporter. Volume III. Nashville: Published by C. Torbett & Co., Printers, Union and American office, 1857. pp. 768.

We were attracted to this volume by its neat mechanical execution, both of type and cover. In these particulars it certainly compares most favorably with the publications in any eastern city. An examination of the contents shows that the reporter has executed his duties in a most satisfactory manner. The syllabuses are really keys to the cases, and contain head notes which indicate the very subject matter in the cases. The volume itself embraces the usual variety to be found in any of our State reports, much that is local, some that is general, a good deal statutory law, and some common law. We give our readers an interesting case in this number, which will serve to show how both reporter and court discharge their duties.

DIGEST OF THE OPINIONS OF THE ATTORNEYS-GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES. With References to Leading Decisions of the Supreme Court. By C. C. ANDREWS, Counsellor at Law. Washington: Published by R. Farnham. 1857. pp. 488.

We have read this volume with great satisfaction. It is the only key to a large body of important law, not at all well known to the bar, hidden in volumes not very commonly in the hands of the profession, yet embracing topics of international, public, constitutional and municipal law, to say nothing of the construction of acts of Congress and foreign treaties, which must be known by the lawyer, whose practice is extended, and whose duty calls him into the federal tribunals, or before any of the departments of the general government.

When Mr. Andrews, who has been long connected with the office of the Solicitor of the Treasury, was entrusted with the duty of preparing this Digest, a most judicious choice was made; and the result of his labor is entirely satisfactory. His long familiarity with the duties of the department has enabled him to prepare a volume eminently useful and practical, and we commend it without hesitation.